



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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Russ Guiney, Director

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**LETTER OF DETERMINATION
PROPOSED LITTLEROCK OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION PARK**

The purpose of this letter is to inform all interested parties that the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) has determined that it will not pursue the acquisition of approximately 550 acres on Mt. Emma Road in the Littlerock community for the purpose of developing an Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Recreation Park and Staging Area.

Since the Department's adoption of the Off-Highway Vehicle Park Planning Guidelines in 2011, we began evaluating viable sites in Los Angeles County for the planning and development of an OHV Recreation Park. Consistent with the adopted procedures of the Guidelines, our evaluation of the feasibility of a site on Mt. Emma Road in the Littlerock community included significant public outreach and the informational meeting at Jackie Robinson Park in November 2013. Our outreach effort yielded hundreds of comments with differing opinions on the suitability of the proposed site on Mt. Emma Road in Littlerock community. The site, which has been used as an unofficial OHV area for many years and includes large tracts of federally-owned lands, presented an opportunity to implement the park planning guidelines and evaluate the site.

After conducting a thorough analysis and considering all of the comments received, the Department has determined that due to location constraints, adjacencies and the on-going costs associated with the maintenance, operation, restoration and security of the site, we are not able to pursue the acquisition and development of the Littlerock site for OHV purposes at this time.

The Department remains committed to identifying an appropriate site within Los Angeles County for the acquisition, design and development of an OHV Recreation Park, staging area and trails. If you have further questions, please contact Kathy King, Chief of Planning, at (213) 351-5098.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russ Guiney', written over a horizontal line.

Russ Guiney
Director

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